

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 9, 1998

Paul E. Sullivan, Esq. 1225 I St., N.W. Suite 500 Washington, D.C. 20005

**RE:** MUR 4305

Malcolm S. "Steve" Forbes, Jr.

Forbes, Inc.

Forbes for President, Inc. and William Dal Col, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

You were previously notified that on February 10, 1998, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found probable cause to believe that your clients, Malcolm S. "Steve" Forbes, Jr., Forbes, Inc., Forbes for President, Inc. and William Dal Col, as treasurer ("Committee"), each violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) in connection with the above-captioned matter. The Commission found probable cause to believe the Committee also violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(2)(A).

As a result of our inability to settle this matter through conciliation within the allowable time period, the Commission has authorized the General Counsel to institute a civil action for relief in the United States District Court.

Should you have any questions, or should you wish to settle this matter prior to suit, please contact Stephen Hershkowitz, Assistant General Counsel, at (202) 694-1650, within five days of your receipt of this letter.

Sincerely,

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel